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## Abstract

A deflation procedure is introduced that is designed to improve the convergence of an implicitly restarted Arnoldi iteration for computing a few eigenvalues of a large matrix. As the iteration progresses the Ritz value approximations of the eigenvalues of  $A$  converge at different rates. A numerically stable scheme is introduced that implicitly deflates the converged approximations from the iteration. We present two forms of implicit deflation. The first, a *locking* operation, decouples converged Ritz values and associated vectors from the active part of the iteration. The second, a *purging* operation, removes unwanted but converged Ritz pairs. Convergence of the iteration is improved and a reduction in computational effort is also achieved. The deflation strategies make it possible to compute multiple or clustered eigenvalues with a single vector restart method. A Block method is not required. These schemes are analyzed with respect to numerical stability and computational results are presented.

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## 1 Introduction

The Arnoldi method is an efficient procedure for approximating a subset of the eigen-system of a large sparse  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ . The Arnoldi method is a generalization of the Lanczos process and reduces to that method when the matrix  $A$  is symmetric. After  $k$  steps the algorithm produces an upper Hessenberg matrix  $H_k$  of order  $k$ . The eigenvalues of this small matrix  $H_k$  are used to approximate a subset of the eigenvalues

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of the large matrix  $A$ . The matrix  $H_k$  is an orthogonal projection of  $A$  onto a particular *Krylov* subspace and the eigenvalues of  $H_k$  are usually called *Ritz values* or *Ritz approximations*.

There are a number of numerical difficulties with Arnoldi/Lanczos methods. In [33] a variant of this method was developed to overcome these difficulties. This technique, the Implicitly Restarted Arnoldi iteration (IRA-iteration) may be viewed as a truncation of the standard implicitly shifted QR-iteration and shares a number of its desirable properties. Because of this connection, we are motivated to take advantage of the well understood deflation rules of the QR-iteration and to adapt these to the IRA-iteration. These deflation techniques are extremely important with respect to convergence and numerical properties. Deflation rules have contributed greatly to the emergence of the practical QR algorithm as the method of choice for computing the eigen-system of dense matrices.

This paper introduces deflation schemes that may be used within an IRA-iteration. This iteration is designed to compute a selected subset of the spectrum of  $A$  such as the  $k$  eigenvalues of largest real part. We refer to this selected subset as *wanted* and the remainder of the spectrum as *unwanted*. As the iteration progresses some of the Ritz approximations to eigenvalues of  $A$  may converge long before the entire set of wanted eigenvalues has been computed. These converged Ritz values may be part of the wanted or the unwanted portion of the spectrum. In either case it is desirable to *deflate* the converged Ritz values and corresponding Ritz vectors from the unconverged portion of the factorization. If the converged Ritz value is wanted then it is necessary to keep it in the subsequent Arnoldi factorizations. This is called *locking*. If the converged Ritz value is unwanted then it must be removed from the current and subsequent Arnoldi factorizations. This is called *purging*. These notions will be made precise during the course of the paper. For the moment we note that the advantages of a numerically stable deflation strategy include:

- Reduction of the *working* size of the desired invariant subspace.
- The ability to determine clusters of nearby eigenvalues without need for a Block Arnoldi method [20, 32].
- Preventing the effects of the forward instability of the Lanczos algorithm [28, 39].

The fundamentals of the Arnoldi algorithm are introduced in § 2 as well as the determination of Ritz value convergence. The IRA-iteration is reviewed in § 3. Deflating within the IRA-iteration is examined in § 4. The deflation scheme for converged Ritz values is presented in § 5. The practical issues associated with our deflation scheme are examined in § 6. These include block generalizations of the ideas examined in § 5 for dealing with clusters of Ritz values, avoiding the use of complex arithmetic when a complex conjugate pair of Ritz values converges. An error analysis of the deflated process is presented in § 7. A brief survey of other deflation strategies is given in § 8. An interesting connection with the various algorithms used to re-order a Schur form of matrix is presented in § 9. Numerical results are presented in § 10.

Capital and lower case letters denote matrices and vectors while lower case Greek letters denote scalars. The  $j$ -th canonical basis vector is denoted by  $e_j$ . The norms used are the Euclidean and Frobenius denoted by  $\|\cdot\|$  and  $\|\cdot\|_F$ , respectively.

## 2 The Arnoldi Factorization

Arnoldi's method [2] is an orthogonal projection method for approximating a subset of the eigensystem of a general square matrix. The method builds, step by step, an orthogonal basis for the *Krylov* space,

$$\mathcal{K}_k(A, v_1) \equiv \text{span}\{v_1, Av_1, \dots, A^{k-1}v_1\},$$

for  $A$  generated by the vector  $v_1$ . The original algorithm in [2] was designed to reduce a dense matrix to upper Hessenberg form. However, the method only requires knowledge of  $A$  through matrix vector products, and its ultimate value as a technique for approximating a few eigenvalues of a large sparse matrix was soon realized. When the matrix  $A$  is symmetric the procedure reduces to the Lanczos method [24].

Over a decade of research was devoted to understanding and overcoming the numerical difficulties of the Lanczos method [27]. Development of the Arnoldi method lagged behind due to the inordinate computational and storage requirements associated with the original method when a large number of steps are required for convergence. Not only is more storage required for  $H_k$  when  $A$  is nonsymmetric, but in general more steps are required to compute the desired Ritz value approximations. The explicitly restarted Arnoldi iteration (ERA-iteration) was introduced by Saad [30] to overcome these difficulties. The idea is based on similar ones developed for the Lanczos process by Paige [26], Cullum and Donath [12], and Golub and Underwood [19]. Karush [23] proposes what appears to be the first example of a re-started iteration.

The Arnoldi method is introduced in this section and implicit restarting is presented in the following section.

After  $k$  steps, the Arnoldi algorithm computes a truncated factorization

$$(2.1) \quad AV_k = V_k H_k + f_k e_k^T,$$

of  $A \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times n}$  to upper Hessenberg form where  $V_k^T V_k = I_k$ . The vector  $f_k$  is the residual and is orthogonal to the columns of  $V_k$ . The matrix  $H_k \in \mathbf{R}^{k \times k}$  is an upper Hessenberg matrix that is the orthogonal projection of  $A$  onto  $\text{Range}(V_k) \equiv \mathcal{K}_k(A, v_1)$ .

The following procedure shows how the factorization is extended from length  $k$  to  $k + p$ .

### Algorithm 2.1

*function*  $[V_{k+p}, H_{k+p}, f_{k+p}] = \text{Arnoldi}(A, V_k, H_k, f_k, k, p)$

*Input:*  $AV_k - V_k H_k = f_k e_k^T$  with  $V_k^T V_k = I_k$ ,  $V_k^T f_k = 0$ .

*Output:*  $AV_{k+p} - V_{k+p} H_{k+p} = f_{k+p} e_{k+p}^T$  with  $V_{k+p}^T V_{k+p} = I_{k+p}$ , and  $V_{k+p}^T f_{k+p} = 0$ .

1. For  $j = 1, 2 \dots p$ 
  2.  $\beta_{k+j} \leftarrow \|f_{k+j-1}\|$ ; if  $\beta_{k+j} = 0$  then stop;
  3.  $v_{k+j} \leftarrow f_{k+j-1} \beta_{k+j}^{-1}$ ;  $V_{k+j} \leftarrow [V_{k+j-1}, v_{k+j}]$ ;
  4.  $w \leftarrow A v_{k+j}$ ;
  5.  $h_{k+j} \leftarrow V_{k+j-1}^T w$ ;  $\alpha_{k+j} \leftarrow v_{k+j}^T w$ ;

6.

$$H_{k+j} \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} H_{k+j-1} & h_{k+j} \\ \beta_{k+j} e_{k+j-1}^T & \alpha_{k+j} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$7. f_{k+j} \leftarrow w - V_{k+j-1} h_{k+j} - v_{k+j} \alpha_{k+j};$$

If  $k = 0$  then  $V_1 = v_1$  represents the initial vector. In order to ensure  $V_k^T f_k \approx 0$  in finite precision arithmetic the above algorithm requires some form of re-orthogonalization at step 7 [33].

In exact arithmetic the algorithm continues until  $f_k = 0$  for some  $k \leq n$ . All of the intermediate Hessenberg matrices  $H_j$  are *unreduced* for  $j \leq k$ . A Hessenberg matrix is said to be unreduced if all of its main sub-diagonal elements are nonzero. The residual vanishes at the first step  $k$  such that  $\dim \mathcal{K}_{k+1}(A, v_1) = k$  and hence is guaranteed to vanish for some  $k \leq n$ . The following result indicates when an exact truncated factorization occurs. This is desirable since the columns of  $V_k$  form a basis for an invariant subspace and the eigenvalues of  $H_k$  are a subset of those of  $A$ .

**Theorem 2.2** *Let (2.1) define a  $k$ -step Arnoldi factorization of  $A$ , with  $H_k$  unreduced. Then  $f_k = 0$  if and only if  $v_1 = Q_k y$  where  $AQ_k = Q_k R_k$  with  $Q_k^H Q_k = I_k$  and  $R_k$  is an upper triangular matrix of order  $k$ .*

*Proof:* See [33]. □

In Theorem 2.2, the span of the  $k$  columns of  $Q_k$  represent an invariant subspace for  $A$ . The diagonal elements of  $R_k$  are eigenvalues of  $A$ . We call  $AQ_k = Q_k R_k$  a partial Schur decomposition of  $A$ . In particular, if the initial vector is a linear combination of  $k$  linearly independent eigenvectors then the  $k$ -th residual vector vanishes. It is therefore desirable to devise a method that forces the starting vector  $v_1$  to be a linear combination of eigenvectors corresponding to the wanted eigenvalues.

The algorithms of this paper are appropriate when the order of  $A$  is so large that storage and computational requirements prohibit completion of the algorithm that produces  $V_n$  and  $H_n$ . Working in finite precision arithmetic generally removes the possibility of the computed residual ever vanishing exactly.

As the norm of  $f_k$  decreases, the eigenvalues of  $H_k$  become better approximations to those of  $A$ . Experience indicates that  $\|f_k\|$  rarely becomes small let alone zero. But as the order of  $H_k$  increases certain eigenvalues of  $H$  may emerge as excellent estimates to eigenvalues of  $A$ . Since the interest is in a small subset of the eigensystem of  $A$ , alternate criteria that allow termination for  $k \ll n$  are needed. Let  $H_k y = y\theta$  where  $\|y\| = 1$ . Define the vector  $x = V_k y$  to be a *Ritz vector* and the scalar  $\theta$  to be *Ritz value*. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|AV_k y - V_k H_k y\| &= \|Ax - x\theta\|, \\ (2.2) \qquad \qquad \qquad &= \|f_k\| |e_k^T y|, \end{aligned}$$

indicates that if the last component of an eigenvector for  $H_k$  is small the Ritz pair  $(x, \theta)$  is an approximation to an eigenpair of  $A$ . This pair is exact for a nearby problem: it is easily shown that  $(A + E)x = x\theta$  with  $E = -(e_k^T y)f_k x^H$ . The advantage of using the *Ritz estimate* (2.2) is to avoid explicit formation of the quantity  $AV_k y - V_k y\theta$  when

accessing the numerical accuracy of an approximate eigenpair. Recent work by Chatelin and Fraysée [10, 11] and Godet-Thobie [16] suggests that when  $A$  is highly non-normal, the size of  $e_k^T y$  is not an appropriate guide for detecting convergence. If the relative *departure from normality* defined by the Henrici number  $\|AA^T - A^T A\|_F / \|A^2\|_F$ , is large, the matrix  $A$  is considered highly non-normal. Assuming that  $A$  is diagonalizable, a large Henrici number implies that the basis of eigenvectors is ill-conditioned [10]. Bennani and Braconnier compare the use of the Ritz estimate and direct residual  $\|Ax - x\theta\|$  in Arnoldi algorithms [6]. They suggest normalizing the Ritz estimate by the norm of  $A$  resulting in a stopping criteria based on the *backward* error. The backward error is defined as the smallest, in norm, perturbation  $\Delta A$  such that the Ritz pair is an eigenpair for  $A + \Delta A$ . Scott [32] presents a lucid account of the many issues involved in determining stopping criteria for the unsymmetric problem.

### 3 The Implicitly Restarted Arnoldi Iteration

Theorem 2.2 motivates the selection of a starting vector that will lead to the construction of an approximate basis for the desired invariant subspace of  $A$ . The best possible starting vector would be a linear combination of a Schur-basis for the desired invariant subspace. The IRA-iteration iteratively restarts the Arnoldi factorization with the goal of forcing the starting vector closer and closer to the desired invariant subspace. The scheme is called *implicit* because the updating of the starting vector is accomplished with an implicitly shifted QR mechanism on  $H_k$ . This will allow us to update the starting vector by working with orthogonal matrices that live in  $\mathbf{R}^{k \times k}$  rather than in  $\mathbf{R}^{n \times n}$ .

The iteration starts by extending a length  $k$  Arnoldi factorization by  $p$  steps. Next,  $p$  shifted QR steps are performed on  $H_{k+p}$ . The last  $p$  columns of the factorization are discarded resulting in a length  $k$  factorization. The iteration is defined by repeating the above process until convergence. As an example, suppose that  $p = 1$  and  $k$  represents the dimension of the desired invariant subspace. Let  $\mu$  be a shift and let  $H_k - \mu I = Q_k R_k$  with  $Q_k$  orthogonal and  $R_k$  upper triangular matrices, respectively. Then from (2.1)

$$(3.1) \quad (A - \mu I)V_k - V_k(H_k - \mu I) = f_k e_k^T,$$

$$(3.2) \quad (A - \mu I)V_k - V_k Q_k R_k = f_k e_k^T,$$

$$(3.3) \quad (A - \mu I)(V_k Q_k) - (V_k Q_k)(R_k Q_k) = f_k e_k^T Q_k,$$

$$(3.4) \quad A(V_k Q_k) - (V_k Q_k)(R_k Q_k + \mu I) = f_k e_k^T Q_k.$$

The matrices are updated via  $V_k \leftarrow V_k Q_k$  and  $H_k \leftarrow R_k Q_k + \mu I$  and the latter matrix remains upper Hessenberg. However, equation (3.4) is not a legitimate Arnoldi factorization. Partitioning the matrices in this equation results in

$$(3.5) \quad A[V_{k-1}, v_k] = [V_{k-1}, v_k] \begin{bmatrix} H_{k-1} & h_k \\ \beta_k e_1 e_{k-1}^T & \alpha_k \end{bmatrix} + f_k e_k^T Q_k.$$

The relation (3.4) fails to be an Arnoldi factorization since the matrix  $f_k e_k^T Q_k$  has a non-zero  $(k-1)$ -st column. Equating the first  $k-1$  columns of (3.5) we have

$$(3.6) \quad AV_{k-1} = V_{k-1}H_{k-1} + (\beta_k v_k + \sigma_k f_k)e_{k-1}^T,$$

where  $\sigma_k = e_k^T Q_k e_{k-1}$ . Performing the update  $f_{k-1} \leftarrow \beta_k v_k + \sigma_k f_k$  and noting that  $V_{k-1}^T f_{k-1} = 0$  it follows that equation (3.6) is a  $k-1$  step Arnoldi factorization.

We now show that the IRA-iteration is equivalent to forming the leading portion of an implicitly shifted QR-iteration. Note that equations (3.1)–(3.4) are valid for  $1 \leq k \leq n$ . In particular, extending the factorization of equation (3.1) by  $n-k$  steps gives  $f_n = 0$  and  $AV_n - V_n H_n = 0$  defines a decomposition of  $A$  into upper Hessenberg form. Let  $Q_n R_n = H_n - \mu I$  where  $Q_n$  and  $R_n$  are orthogonal and upper triangular matrices of order  $n$ , respectively. Since  $Q_k$  and  $R_k$  are the leading principal sub-matrices of order  $k$  for  $Q_n$  and  $R_n$ , respectively,  $V_n Q_n R_n e_1 = V_k Q_k R_k e_1$  and  $e_1^T R_n e_1 = e_1^T R_k e_1$  follow. Post multiplication of equation (3.2) with  $e_1$  exposes the relationship

$$(A - \mu I)v_1 = V_k Q_k e_1 \rho_{11} = V_n Q_n e_1 \rho_{11} = (A - \mu I)V_n e_1,$$

where  $\rho_{11} = e_1^T R_k e_1$  and  $v_1 = V_k e_1$ . In words, the first column of the updated  $k$  step factorization matrix is the *same* as the first column of the orthogonal matrix obtained after a complete QR step on  $A$  with shift  $\mu$ . Thus, the IRA-iteration may be viewed as a truncated version of the standard implicitly shifted QR-iteration. This idea may be extended for up to  $p > 1$  shifts [33]. One cycle of the iteration is pictured in Figures 1–3. Application of the shifts may be performed implicitly as in the QR algorithm. If the shifts are in complex conjugate pairs then the implicit double shift can be used to avoid complex arithmetic.

Numerous choices are possible for the selection of the  $p$  shifts. One immediate choice is to use the  $p$  unwanted eigenvalues of  $H_{k+p}$ . In exact arithmetic, the last  $p$  off diagonal elements of  $H_{k+p}$  are zero and the Arnoldi factorization decouples. The reader is referred to [33] and [9] for further information.

The number of shifts to apply at each cycle of the above iteration is problem dependent. At present there is no a-priori analysis to guide the selection of  $p$  relative to  $k$ . The only formal requirement is that  $1 \leq p \leq n - k$ . However, computational experience indicates that  $p \geq k$  is preferable. If many problems of the same type are to be solved, experimentation with  $p$  for a fixed  $k$  should be undertaken. This usually decreases the required number matrix–vector operations but increases the work and storage required to maintain the orthogonal basis vectors. The optimal *cross-over* with respect to CPU time varies and must be determined empirically. Further research is needed to understand how to estimate this optimal value a-priori.

Among the several advantages an implicit updating scheme possess are:

- fixed storage requirements.
- The ability to maintain a prescribed level of orthogonality for the columns of  $V$  since  $k$  is of modest size.
- The incorporation of the well understood numerical and theoretical behavior of the QR algorithm.

In particular, application of a shift may result in one of the sub-diagonal elements of  $H$  becoming small. The impact of the deflation strategies associated with the QR-iteration upon the IRA-iteration are addressed. The next section examines what deflation is within an Arnoldi factorization.



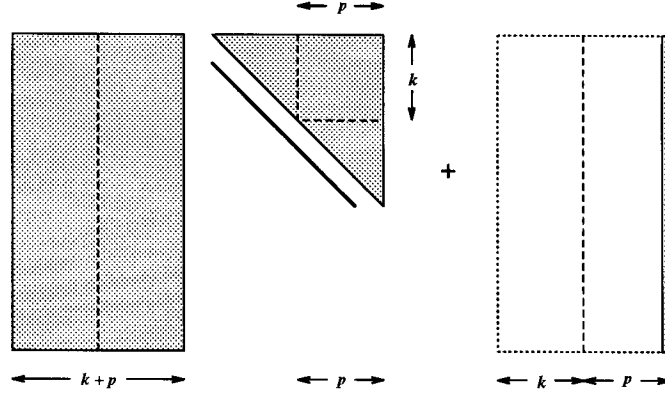


Figure 1: The set of rectangles represents the matrix equation  $V_{k+p}H_{k+p} + f_{k+p}e_{k+p}^T$  of an Arnoldi factorization. The unshaded region on the right is a zero matrix of  $k+p-1$  columns.

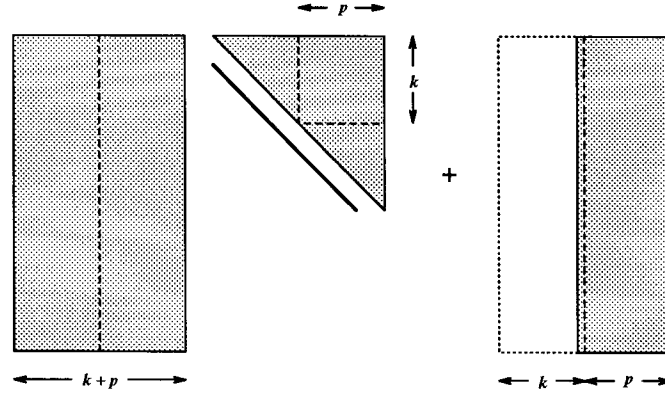


Figure 2: After performing  $p$  implicitly shifted QR steps on  $H_{k+p}$ , the middle set of pictures illustrates  $V_{k+p}QQ^TH_{k+p}Q + f_{k+p}e_{k+p}^TQ$ . The last  $p+1$  columns of  $f_{k+p}e_{k+p}^TQ$  are non-zero because of the QR-iteration.

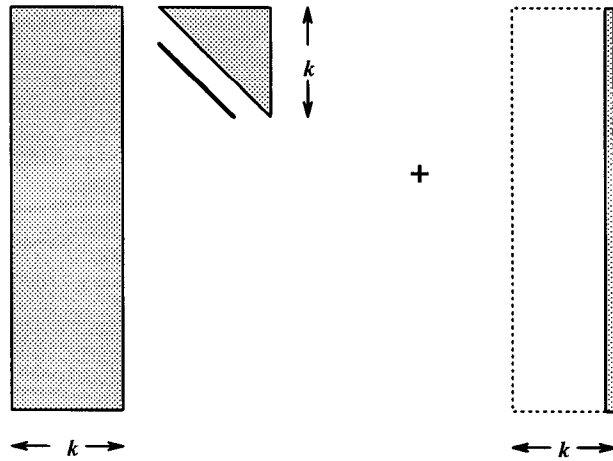


Figure 3: After discarding the last  $p$  columns, the final set represents  $V_kH_k + f_k e_k^T$  of a length  $k$  Arnoldi factorization.

## 4 Deflation within an IRA-iteration

As the iteration progresses the Ritz estimates (2.2) decrease at different rates. When a Ritz estimate is small enough, the corresponding Ritz value is said to have converged. The converged Ritz value may be wanted or unwanted. In either case, a mechanism to deflate the converged Ritz value from the current factorization is desired. Depending on whether the converged Ritz value is wanted or not, it is useful to define two types of deflation. Before we do this, it will prove helpful to illustrate how deflation is achieved. Suppose that after  $m$  steps of the Arnoldi algorithm we have

$$(4.1) \quad A[V_1, V_2] = [V_1, V_2] \begin{bmatrix} H_1 & G \\ \epsilon e_1 e_j^T & H_2 \end{bmatrix} + f e_m^T,$$

where  $V_1 \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times j}$ ,  $H_1 \in \mathbf{R}^{j \times j}$  for  $1 \leq j < m$ . If  $\epsilon$  is suitably small then the factorization *decouples* in the sense that a Ritz pair  $(y, \theta)$  for  $H_1$  provides an approximate eigen pair  $(x = V_1 y, \theta)$  with a Ritz estimate of  $|\epsilon e_j^T y|$ . Setting  $\epsilon$  to zero splits a nearby problem exactly and setting  $\epsilon = 0$  is called *deflation*. If  $\epsilon$  is suitably small then all the eigenvalues of  $H_1$  may be regarded as converged Ritz values.

### 4.1 Locking

If deflation has taken place and all of the deflated Ritz values are wanted then they are considered *locked*. This means that subsequent implicit restarting is done on the basis  $V_2$ . The sub-matrices effected during implicit restarting are  $G$ ,  $H_2$  and  $V_2$ . However, during the phase of the iteration that extends the Arnoldi factorization from  $k$  to  $k + p$  steps, all of the columns of  $[V_1, V_2]$  participate just as if no deflation had occurred. This assures that all of the new Arnoldi basis vectors are orthogonalized against converged Ritz vectors and prevents the introduction of spurious eigenvalues into the subsequent iteration. Moreover, this provides a means to safely compute multiple eigenvalues when they are present. A block method is not required if deflation and locking are used. The concept of locking was introduced by Jennings and Stewart [37] as a deflation technique for simultaneous iteration.

### 4.2 Purging

If deflation has occurred but some of the deflated Ritz values are unwanted then another mechanism, purging, must be introduced to remove the unwanted Ritz values and corresponding vectors from the factorization. In exact arithmetic this would not be necessary because the implicit shift technique would accomplish the removal of the unwanted Ritz pair from the leading portion of the iteration. However, in finite precision it may be impossible to accomplish the removal due to the forward instability [28, 39] of the QR algorithm. The basic idea of purging is perhaps best explained with the case of a single deflated Ritz value.

Let  $j = 1$  in (4.1) and equate the first columns of both sides to obtain

$$(4.2) \quad A v_1 = v_1 \alpha_1 + \epsilon V_2 e_1,$$

where  $v_1 = V_1 e_1$  and  $H_1 = \alpha_1$ . Equation (4.2) is an Arnoldi factorization of length one. The Ritz value  $\alpha_1$  has Ritz estimate  $|\epsilon|$ .

Equating the last  $m - 1$  columns of (4.1) results in

$$(4.3) \quad AV_2 = V_1G + V_2H_2 + fe_{m-1}^T,$$

Suppose that  $\alpha_1$  represents an unwanted Ritz value. If  $A$  were symmetric then  $G = \epsilon e_1^T$  and equation (4.3) would become

$$(A + E)V_2 = V_2H_2 + fe_{m-1}^T,$$

where  $E = -\epsilon v_1(V_2e_1)^T - \epsilon(V_2e_1)v_1^T$ . Since  $\|E\| = \epsilon$  equation (4.3) defines a length  $m - 1$  Arnoldi factorization for a nearby problem. The unwanted Ritz pair  $(v_1, \alpha_1)$  may be *purged* from the factorization simply by taking  $V = V_2$  and  $H = H_2$  and setting  $G = 0$  in (4.3). If  $A$  is not symmetric, the  $1 \times (m - 1)$  matrix  $G$  couples  $v_1$  to the rest of the basis vectors  $V_2$ . This vector may be decoupled using the standard Sylvester equation approach [3, 17]. Purging then takes place as in the symmetric case. However, the new set of basis vectors must be re-orthogonalized in order to return to an Arnoldi factorization. This procedure is developed in § 5 and § 6 including the case of purging several vectors.

### 4.3 Complications

An immediate question is: Do any sub-diagonal elements in the Hessenberg matrix of the factorization (4.1) become negligible as an IRA-iteration progresses? Since a cycle of the Arnoldi iteration involves performing a sequence of QR steps, the question is answered by considering the behavior of the QR-iteration upon upper Hessenberg matrices. In exact arithmetic under the assumption that the Hessenberg matrix is unreduced, only the last sub-diagonal element may become zero when shifting. But the other sub-diagonal elements may become arbitrarily small.

Computing in finite precision arithmetic, however, complicates the situation. A robust implementation of the QR algorithm sets a sub-diagonal element to zero if it is in magnitude less than some prescribed threshold and this technique is also adopted for deflation. This deflation overcomes the technical difficulty associated with tiny sub-diagonals and improves the convergence of the IRA-iteration. However, there are further difficulties.

The phenomena of the forward instability of the tridiagonal QR-iteration [28] is explored by Parlett and Le. They observe that while the implicitly shifted QR-iteration is always backward stable, there are cases where severe forward instability can occur. It is possible for a single QR-iteration to result in a computed Hessenberg matrix with entries that have no significant digits in common with the corresponding entries of the Hessenberg matrix that would have been determined in exact arithmetic. The implication is that the computed sub-diagonal entries may not be reliable indicators for decoupling the Arnoldi factorization. Le and Parlett's analysis implies that the Hessenberg matrix may lose significant digits when the shift used is nearly an eigenvalue of  $H$ , and the last component of the normalized eigenvector is small. This indicates that it may be impossible to filter out unwanted eigenvalues with the implicit restarting technique using exact shifts and this is the motivation for developing both the locking and purging techniques.

## 5 Deflating Converged Ritz Values

During an Arnoldi iteration, Ritz values may converge with no small sub-diagonal elements appearing on the sub-diagonal of  $H_k$ . However, when a Ritz value converges, it is always possible to make an orthogonal change of basis in which the appropriate sub-diagonal of  $H_k$  is zero. The following result indicates how to exploit the convergence information available in the last row of the eigenvector matrix for  $H_k$ . For notational convenience, all subscripts are dropped on the Arnoldi matrices,  $V$ ,  $H$  and  $f$ , for the remainder of this section.

**Lemma 5.1** *Let  $Hy = y\theta$  where  $H \in \mathbf{R}^{k \times k}$  is an unreduced upper Hessenberg matrix and  $\theta \in \mathbf{R}$  with  $\|y\| = 1$ . Let  $W$  be a Householder matrix such that  $Wy = e_1\tau$  where  $|\tau| = 1$ . Then*

$$(5.1) \quad e_k^T W = e_k^T + w^T,$$

where  $\|w\| \leq \sqrt{2}|e_k^T y|$  and

$$(5.2) \quad W^T H W e_1 = e_1 \theta.$$

*Proof:* The required Householder matrix has the form

$$W = I - \gamma(y - \tau e_1)(y - \tau e_1)^T,$$

where  $\gamma = (1 + |e_1^T y|)^{-1}$ . A direct computation reveals that

$$(5.3) \quad e_k^T W = e_k^T + w^T,$$

where  $w^T = \gamma e_k^T y (\tau e_1^T - y^T)$ . Estimating

$$\begin{aligned} \|w\| &= \frac{|e_k^T y|}{1 + |e_1^T y|} \|y - \tau e_1\|, \\ &= \frac{|e_k^T y|}{1 + |e_1^T y|} \sqrt{2(1 + |e_1^T y|)}, \\ &\leq \sqrt{2}|e_k^T y|, \end{aligned}$$

establishes the bound on  $\|w\|$ . The final assertion (5.2) follows from

$$\begin{aligned} W^T H W e_1 &= \tau^{-1} W^T H y, \\ &= \tau^{-1} \theta W^T y, \\ &= \tau^{-1} \theta W y, \\ &= \theta e_1. \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma (5.1) indicates that the last row and column of  $W$  differ from the last row and column of  $I_k$  by terms of order  $|e_k^T y|$ . The Ritz estimate (2.2) will indicate when it is safe to deflate the corresponding Ritz value  $\theta$ . Rewriting (2.1) as

$$A V W = V W W^T H W + f e_k^T W,$$

and using both (5.1) and (5.2) and partitioning we obtain

$$(5.4) \quad AVW = VW \begin{bmatrix} \theta & \hat{h}^T \\ 0 & \hat{H} \end{bmatrix} + fe_k^T + fw^T.$$

Equation (5.4) is not an Arnoldi factorization. The matrix  $\hat{H}$  of order  $k-1$  needs to be returned to upper Hessenberg form. Care must be taken not to disturb the matrix  $fe_k^T$  and the first column of  $W^T HW$ . To start the process we compute a Householder matrix  $Y_1$  such that

$$Y_1^T \hat{H} Y_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{G} & \hat{g} \\ \hat{\beta}_k e_{k-2}^T & \gamma \end{bmatrix},$$

with  $e_{k-1}^T Y_1 = e_{k-1}^T$ . The above idea is repeated resulting in Householder matrices  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{k-3}$  that return  $\hat{H}$  to upper Hessenberg form. Defining

$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & Y_1 Y_2 \cdots Y_{k-3} \end{bmatrix},$$

it follows by the construction of the  $Y_j$  that  $e_k^T Y = e_k^T$  and

$$(5.5) \quad Y^T W^T H W Y e_1 = \theta e_1.$$

The process of computing a similarity transformation as in equation (5.5) is not new. Sections 20–25, chapter 9 of [40] discusses the more general notion of deflating with invariant subspaces. Wilkinson references the work of Feller and Forsythe [15] who appear to be the first to use elementary Householder transformations for deflation. Problem 7.4.8 of [17] addresses the case when working with upper Hessenberg matrices. What appears to be new is the application to the Arnoldi factorization for converged Ritz values.

Since

$$\|fw^T Y\| = \|f\| \|Y^T w\| = \|f\| \|w\|,$$

the size of  $\|fw^T\|$  remains the unchanged. Making the updates

$$\begin{aligned} V &\leftarrow VWY, \\ H &\leftarrow Y^T W^T H W Y, \\ w^T &\leftarrow w^T Y, \end{aligned}$$

we obtain the relation

$$(5.6) \quad AV = VH + fe_k^T + fw^T.$$

A deflated Arnoldi factorization is obtained from (5.6) by discarding the term  $fw^T$ .

The following theorem shows that the deflated Arnoldi factorization resulting from this scheme is an exact  $k$ -step factorization of a nearby matrix.

**Theorem 5.2** *Let an Arnoldi factorization of length  $k$  be given by (5.6) where  $Hy = y\theta$  and  $\sqrt{2}|e_k^T y| \|f\| \leq \epsilon \|A\|$  for  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then there exists a matrix  $E \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times n}$  such that*

$$(5.7) \quad (A + E)V = VH + fe_k^T,$$

where

$$\|E\| \leq \epsilon \|A\|.$$

*Proof:* Subtract  $fw^T$  from both sides of equation (5.6). Set  $E = -f(Vw)^T$  and then

$$\begin{aligned} EV &= -f(Vw)^T V, \\ &= -fw^T, \end{aligned}$$

and equation (5.7) follows. Using Lemma 5.1

$$\begin{aligned} \|E\| &= \|f\| \|w\|, \\ &= \sqrt{2}|e_k^T y| \|f\|, \\ &\leq \epsilon \|A\|. \end{aligned}$$

□

If  $A$  is symmetric then the choice  $E = -f(Vw)^T - (Vw)f^T$  results in a symmetric perturbation. If  $\epsilon$  is on the order of unit roundoff then the deflation scheme introduces a perturbation of the same order to those already present from computing the Arnoldi factorization in floating point arithmetic.

Once a converged Ritz value  $\theta$  is deflated, the Arnoldi vector corresponding to  $\theta$  is locked or purged as described in the previous section. The only difficulty that remains is purging when  $A$  is nonsymmetric.

If  $A$  is not symmetric then the Ritz pair may not be purged immediately because of the presence of  $\hat{h}$ . A standard reduction of  $H$  to block diagonal form is used. If  $\theta$  is not an eigenvalue of  $\hat{H}$ , then we may construct a vector  $z \in \mathbf{R}^{k-1}$  so that

$$(5.8) \quad \begin{bmatrix} \theta & \hat{h}^T \\ & \hat{H} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & z^T \\ & I_{k-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & z^T \\ & I_{k-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \theta & \\ & \hat{H} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solving the linear system

$$(5.9) \quad (\hat{H}^T - \theta I_{k-1})z = \hat{h},$$

determines  $z$ . Define

$$Z \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 & z^T \\ & I_{k-1} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Post multiplication of equation (5.6) by  $Z$  results in

$$AVZ = VZ \begin{bmatrix} \theta & \\ & \hat{H} \end{bmatrix} + fe_k^T + fw^T Z,$$

since  $e_k^T Z = e_k^T$ . Equating the last  $k - 1$  columns of the previous expression results in

$$(5.10) \quad AV \begin{bmatrix} z^T \\ I_{k-1} \end{bmatrix} = V \begin{bmatrix} z^T \\ I_{k-1} \end{bmatrix} \hat{H} + f e_{k-1}^T + f w^T \begin{bmatrix} z^T \\ I_{k-1} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Compute the factorization (using  $k - 1$  Givens rotations)

$$(5.11) \quad QR = \begin{bmatrix} z^T \\ I_{k-1} \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $Q \in \mathbf{R}^{k \times k-1}$  with  $Q^T Q = I_{k-1}$  and  $R$  is an upper triangular matrix of order  $k - 1$ . Since the last  $k - 1$  columns of  $Z$  are linearly independent,  $R$  is nonsingular. Post multiplying equation (5.10) by  $R^{-1}$  gives

$$(5.12) \quad AVQ = VQR\hat{H}R^{-1} + \rho_{k-1}^{-1} f e_{k-1}^T + f w^T Q,$$

where  $\rho_{k-1} = e_{k-1}^T R e_{k-1}$ . The last term  $f w^T Q$  in (5.12) is discarded by the deflation scheme and this relation shows that the discarded term is not magnified in norm by the purging procedure. The matrix  $R\hat{H}R^{-1}$  remains upper Hessenberg since  $R$  is upper triangular. Partitioning  $Q$  conformally with the right side of equation (5.11) results in

$$\begin{bmatrix} q_{11}^T \\ Q_{21} \end{bmatrix} R = \begin{bmatrix} z^T \\ I_{k-1} \end{bmatrix},$$

and it follows that  $R^{-1} = Q_{21}$ . A tedious derivation also shows that  $|\rho_{k-1}| > 1$  and hence the Arnoldi residual is not amplified by the purging. The final purged Arnoldi factorization is

$$(5.13) \quad AVQ = VQR\hat{H}Q_{21} + \rho_{k-1}^{-1} f e_{k-1}^T.$$

The similarity transformation that produces the new upper Hessenberg matrix also affects the eigenvectors and thus the Ritz estimates. If  $\hat{H}u = uv$  then  $R\hat{H}R^{-1}Ru = Ru\nu$ . Normalizing this vector to have unit length gives the new Ritz vector as  $\hat{y} = Ru/\|Ru\|$ . The new Ritz estimate is given by

$$(5.14) \quad \begin{aligned} |\rho_{k-1}^{-1}(e_{k-1}^T \hat{y})| \|f\| &= (|\rho_{k-1}^{-1} e_{k-1}^T Ru / \|Ru\|) \|f\|, \\ &= (|e_{k-1}^T u / \|Ru\|) \|f\|. \end{aligned}$$

We claim that this estimate is the same as the Ritz estimate for the original undeflated problem. In the original problem, the vector

$$Z \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ u \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z^T u \\ u \end{bmatrix}$$

is an eigenvector of the original  $H$ . The norm of this vector is  $\sqrt{u^T u + (z^T u)^2}$ . Therefore the original Ritz estimate for the Ritz value  $\nu$  is

$$(5.15) \quad \frac{|e_{k-1}^T u|}{\sqrt{u^T u + (z^T u)^2}} \|f\|.$$

However, from equation (5.11) ,

$$\|Ru\| = \|QRu\| = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} z^T u \\ u \end{bmatrix} \right\| = \sqrt{u^T u + (z^T u)^2}$$

and the two Ritz estimates (5.15) and (5.14) are the same before and after the purging operation.

Performing the set of updates

$$\begin{aligned} V &\leftarrow VQ, \\ H &\leftarrow R\hat{H}Q_{21}, \\ f &\leftarrow \rho_{k-1}^{-1}f, \end{aligned}$$

defines equation (5.13) as an Arnoldi factorization of length  $k-1$ . Theorem 5.2 implies this is an Arnoldi factorization for a nearby matrix. It is easily verified that  $V^T f(e_{k-1}^T + w^T) = 0$  and that  $H$  is an upper Hessenberg matrix of order  $k-1$ .

## 6 A Practical Deflating Procedure for the Arnoldi Factorization

The practical issues associated with a numerically stable deflating procedure are addressed in this section. These include:

1. Performing the deflation in real arithmetic when a converged Ritz value has a non-zero imaginary component.
2. Deflation with more than one converged Ritz value.
3. Error Analysis.

Section 6.2 presents two algorithms that implement the deflation schemes. The error analysis of the two deflation schemes is presented in the next section.

### 6.1 Deflation with Real Arithmetic

Suppose  $H(y + iz) = (\theta + i\mu)(y + iz)$  where  $y$  and  $z$  are unit vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^k$ ,  $H \in \mathbf{R}^{k \times k}$  and  $\mu \neq 0$ . Thus

$$H[y, z] = [y, z] \begin{bmatrix} \theta & \mu \\ -\mu & \theta \end{bmatrix} \equiv [y, z]C.$$

Factor

$$(6.1) \quad [y, z] = U \begin{bmatrix} T \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $U^T U = I_k$  and  $T$  is an upper triangular matrix. It is easily shown that  $y$  and  $z$  are linearly independent as vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^k$  since  $\mu \neq 0$  and the nonsingularity of  $T$  follows. Performing a similarity transformation with  $U$  on  $[y, z]$  gives

$$U^T [x, y] U [e_1, e_2] = \begin{bmatrix} TCT^{-1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$



Suppose that  $H$  corresponds to an Arnoldi factorization of length  $k$  and that  $|e_k^T y| = 0(\epsilon) = |e_k^T z|$ . In order to deflate the complex conjugate pair of eigenvalues from the factorization in an implicit manner, we require that  $e_k^T U = e_k^T + u^T$  where  $\|u\| = 0(\epsilon)$ .

We now show that the magnitudes of the last components of  $y$  and  $z$  are not sufficient to guarantee the required form for  $U$ . Suppose that  $z = y \cos \phi + r \sin \phi$  where  $r$  is a unit vector orthogonal to  $y$  and  $\phi$  measures the positive angle between  $y$  and  $z$ . Lemma 5.1 allows a Householder  $W$  matrix such that

$$W^T[y, z] = [\tau_1 e_1, \tau_1 e_1 \cos \phi + W^T r \sin \phi] \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \tau_1 & \zeta \\ 0 & \hat{z} \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $|\tau_1| = 1$  and the last column and row of  $W$  and  $I_k$  are order  $e_k^T y$  equivalent. To compute the required orthogonal factorization in equation (6.1) another Householder matrix  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{Q} \end{bmatrix}$ , is needed so that  $\hat{Q}^T \hat{z} = \pm \|\hat{z}\| e_1$ . But Lemma 5.1 only results in  $e_{k-1}^T \hat{Q} = e_{k-1}^T + \hat{q}^T$  with  $\|\hat{q}\| = O(\epsilon)$  if  $e_{k-1}^T \hat{z}$  is small relative to  $\|\hat{z}\|$ . Unfortunately, if  $\phi$  is small,  $W^T z \approx \tau_1 e_1$  and  $\|\hat{z}\| \approx \phi$ . Hence we cannot obtain the required form for  $U = WQ$ .

Fortunately, when  $y$  and  $z$  are nearly aligned,  $\mu$  may be neglected as the following result demonstrates.

**Lemma 6.1** *Let  $H(y + iz) = (\theta + i\mu)(y + iz)$  where  $y$  and  $z$  are unit vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^k$ ,  $H \in \mathbf{R}^{k \times k}$  and  $\mu \neq 0$ . Suppose that  $\phi$  measures the positive angle between  $y$  and  $z$ . Then*

$$(6.2) \quad |\mu| \leq \sin \phi \|H\|.$$

*Proof:* Let  $z = y \cos \phi + r \sin \phi$  where  $r$  is a unit vector orthogonal to  $y$  and  $\phi$  measures the positive angle between  $y$  and  $z$ . Equating real and imaginary parts of  $H(y + iz) = (\theta + i\mu)(y + iz)$  results in  $Hy = y\theta - z\mu$  and  $Hr = y\mu + z\theta$ . The desired estimate follows since

$$2\mu = y^T H z - z^T H y = \sin \phi (y^T H r - r^T H y),$$

results in  $|\mu| \leq \sin \phi \|H\|$ . □

For small  $\phi$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  are almost parallel eigenvectors of  $H$  corresponding to a nearly multiple eigenvalue. Numerically, we set  $\mu$  to zero and deflate one copy of  $\theta$  from the Arnoldi factorization.

A computable bound on the size of the angle  $\phi$  is now determined using only the real and imaginary parts of the eigenvector. The second Householder matrix  $Q$  should not be computed if

$$(6.3) \quad |e_{k-1}^T \hat{z}| > \|\hat{z}\| |e_k^T z|.$$

Recall that Lemma 5.1 gives  $e_k^T W = e_k^T + w^T$  where  $w^T = \gamma e_k^T y (\tau_1 e_1^T - y^T)$  and  $\gamma = (1 + |e_1^T y|)^{-1}$ . Thus

$$e_{k-1}^T \hat{z} = e_k^T W^T z = e_k^T W z = e_k^T z + w^T z,$$

where the symmetry of  $W$  is used. The estimate

$$\|\hat{z}\| = \|[0, \hat{z}^T]^T\| = \|W^T r\| \sin \phi = \sin \phi,$$

follows since  $W$  is orthogonal and  $r$  is a unit vector. Rewriting equation (6.3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \phi &< \left| \frac{e_k^T z + w^T z}{e_k^T z} \right|, \\ &= \left| 1 + \frac{w^T z}{e_k^T z} \right|, \\ (6.4) \quad &= \left| 1 + \gamma(\tau_1 e_1^T z - y^T z) \frac{e_k^T y}{e_k^T z} \right|, \end{aligned}$$

as our computable bound.

Suppose that  $HX = XD$  where  $X \in \mathbf{R}^{k \times j}$  and  $D$  is a quasi-diagonal matrix. The eigenvalues of  $H$  are on the diagonal of  $D$  if they have zero imaginary component and in blocks of two for the complex conjugate pairs. The columns of  $X$  span the eigenspace corresponding to diagonal values of  $D$ . For the blocks of order two on the diagonal the corresponding complex eigenvector is stored in two consecutive columns of  $X$ , the first holding the real part, and the second the imaginary part. If we want to block deflate  $X$ , where the last row is small, from  $H$ , then we could proceed as follows. Compute the orthogonal factorization  $X = Q \begin{bmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  via Householder reflectors where  $Q^T Q = I_k$  and  $R \in \mathbf{R}^{k \times k}$  is upper triangular. Then the last row and column of  $Q$  differ from that of  $I_k$  with terms on the same order of the entries in the last row of  $X$  if the condition number of  $R$  is modest. Thus if the columns of  $X$  are not almost linearly dependent, an appropriate  $Q$  may be determined. Finally, we note that when  $H$  is a symmetric tridiagonal matrix, an appropriate  $Q$  may always be determined.

## 6.2 Algorithms for Deflating Converged Ritz Values

The two procedures presented in this section extend the ideas of § 4 to provide deflation of more than one converged Ritz value at a time. The first purges the factorization of the unwanted converged Ritz values. The second locks the Arnoldi vectors corresponding to the desired converged Ritz values. When both deflation algorithms are incorporated within an IRA-iteration, the locked vectors form a basis for an approximate invariant subspace of  $A$ . This truncated factorization is an approximate partial Schur decomposition. When  $A$  is symmetric, the approximate Schur vectors are Ritz vectors and the upper quasi-triangular matrix is the diagonal matrix of Ritz values.

Partition a length  $m$  Arnoldi factorization as

$$(6.5) \quad A(V_j, \hat{V}_{m-j}) = (V_j, \hat{V}_{m-j}) \begin{bmatrix} H_j & G_j \\ 0 & \hat{H}_{m-j} \end{bmatrix} + f_m e_m^T + f w^T,$$

where  $H_j$  and  $\hat{H}_{m-j}$  are upper quasi-triangular and unreduced upper Hessenberg matrices, respectively. The matrix  $H_j \in \mathbf{R}^{j \times j}$  contains the wanted converged Ritz values

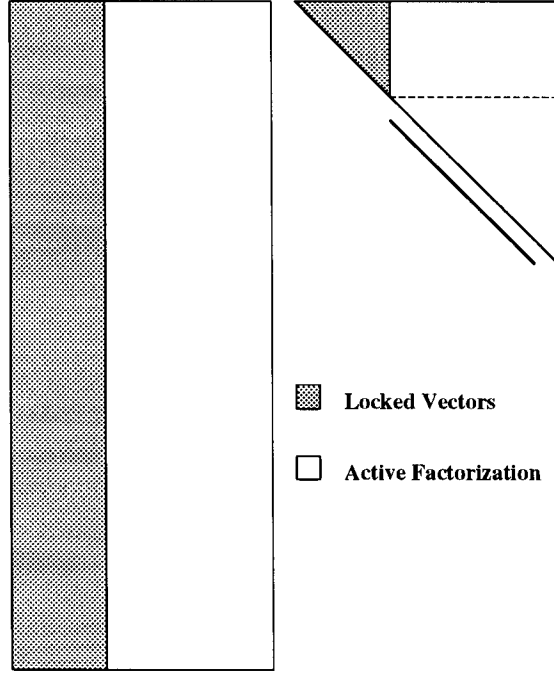


Figure 4: The matrix product  $V_m H_m$  of the factorization upon entering Algorithm 6.2 or 6.3. The shaded region corresponds to the converged portion of the factorization.

of the matrix  $H_m$ . The columns of  $V_j \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times j}$  are the locked Arnoldi vectors that represent an approximate Schur basis for the invariant subspace of interest. The matrix  $\hat{H}_{m-j}$  designates the trailing sub-matrix of order  $m - j$ . Analogously, the last  $m - j$  columns of  $V_m$  are denoted by  $\hat{V}_{m-j}$ . We shall refer to the last  $m - j$  columns of (6.5) as the *active* part of the factorization. Finally,  $G_j \in \mathbb{R}^{j \times m-j}$  denotes the sub-matrix in the north-east corner of  $H_m$ . Figure 4 illustrates the matrix product  $V_m H_m$  of equation (6.5).

If  $A$  is symmetric the two deflation procedures simplify considerably. In fact, purging is only used when  $A$  is nonsymmetric for otherwise  $G_j = 0_{j \times m-j}$  and both  $H_j$  and  $\hat{H}_{m-j}$  are symmetric tridiagonal matrices. Both algorithms are followed by remarks concerning some of the specific details.

#### Algorithm 6.2

function  $[V_m, H_m, f_m] = \text{Lock}(V_m, H_m, f_m, X_i, j)$

*INPUT:* A length  $m$  Arnoldi factorization  $AV_m = V_m H_m + f_m e_m^T$ . The first  $j$  columns of  $V_m$  represent an approximate invariant subspace for  $A$ . The leading principal submatrix  $H_j$  of order  $j$  of  $H_m$  is upper quasi-triangular and contains the converged Ritz values of interest. The columns of  $X_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m-j \times i}$  are the eigenvectors corresponding to the eigenvalues that are to be locked.

*OUTPUT:* A length  $m$  Arnoldi factorization defined by  $V_m$ ,  $H_m$  and  $f_m$  where the first  $j + i$  columns of  $V_m$  are an approximate invariant subspace for  $A$ .

1. Compute the orthogonal factorization

$$Q \begin{bmatrix} R_i \\ 0_{m-j-i} \end{bmatrix} = X_i,$$

where  $Q \in \mathbf{R}^{m-j \times m-j}$  using Householder matrices ;

2. Update the factorization

$$\hat{H}_{m-j} \leftarrow Q^T \hat{H}_{m-j} Q ; \hat{V}_{m-j} \leftarrow \hat{V}_{m-j} Q ; G_j \leftarrow G_j Q ;$$

3. Compute an orthogonal matrix  $P \in \mathbf{R}^{m-j-i \times m-j-i}$  using Householder matrices that restores  $\hat{H}_{m-j-i}$  to upper Hessenberg form ;

4. Update the factorization

$$\hat{H}_{m-j-i} \leftarrow P^T \hat{H}_{m-j-i} P ; \hat{V}_{m-j-i} \leftarrow \hat{V}_{m-j-i} P ; G_{j+i} \leftarrow G_{j+i} P ;$$

Line 1 computes an orthogonal basis for the eigenvectors of  $\hat{H}_{m-j}$  that correspond to the Ritz estimates that are converged. The matrix of eigenvectors in line 1 satisfies the equation  $\hat{H}_{m-j} X_i = X_i D_i$  where  $D_i$  is a quasi-diagonal matrix containing the eigenvalues to be locked. From the § 6.1, we see that the leading sub-matrix of  $Q^T \hat{H}_{m-j} Q$  of order  $i$  is upper quasi-triangular. The required relation  $e_m^T Q = e_m^T + q^T$ , with  $\|q\|$  small is guaranteed if the condition number of  $R_i$  is modest. Since  $i$  is typically a small number, we compute the condition number of  $R_i$ . The number of vectors to be locked is assumed to be such that the condition number of  $R_i$  is small. In particular, if  $H_m$  is a symmetric tridiagonal matrix,  $Q$  always has the required form. Lines 3–4 return the updated  $\hat{H}_{m-j}$  to upper Hessenberg form.

Before entering **Purge**, the unwanted converged Ritz pairs are placed at the front of the factorization. A prior call to **Lock** places the unwanted values and vectors to the beginning of the factorization. Unlike **Lock**, the procedure **Purge** requires accessing and updating the entire factorization in the nonsymmetric case. Thus, for large scale nonsymmetric eigenvalue computations, the amount purging performed should be kept to a minimum.

### Algorithm 6.3

function  $[V_{m-i}, H_{m-i}, f_{m-i}] = \text{Purge} (V_m, H_m, f_m, j, i)$

*INPUT:* A length  $m$  Arnoldi factorization  $AV_m = V_m H_m + f_m e_m^T$ . The first  $i + j$  columns of  $V_m$  represent an approximate invariant subspace for  $A$ . The leading principal submatrix  $H_{i+j}$  of order  $i + j$  of  $H_m$  is upper quasi-triangular and contains the converged Ritz values. The  $i$  unwanted converged eigenvalues are in the leading portion of  $H_{i+j}$ . The converged complex conjugate Ritz pairs are stored in  $2 \times 2$  blocks on the diagonal of  $H_{i+j}$ .

*OUTPUT:* A length  $m - i$  Arnoldi factorization defined by  $V_{m-i}$ ,  $H_{m-i}$  and  $f_{m-i}$  purged of the unwanted converged Ritz values and corresponding Schur vectors.

*Lines 1–3 purge the factorization of the unwanted converged Ritz values contained in the leading portion of  $H_m$  ;*

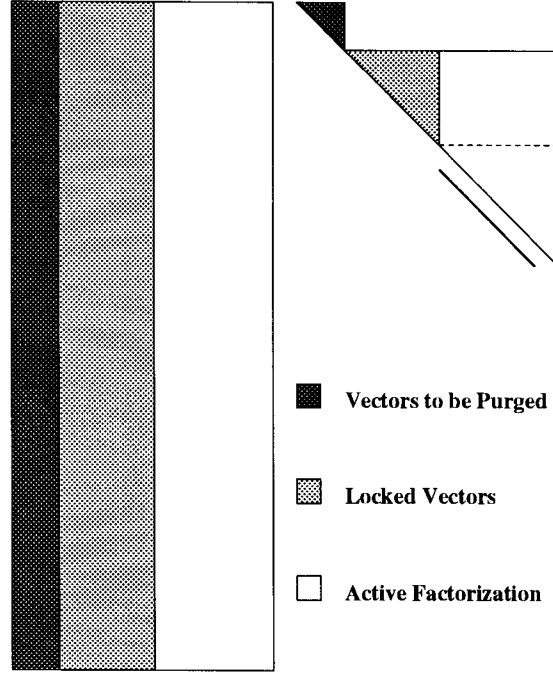


Figure 5: The matrix product  $V_m H_m$  of the factorization just prior to discarding in Algorithm 6.3. The darkly shaded regions may now be dropped from the factorization.

1. Solve the Sylvester set of equations,

$$Z \hat{H}_{m-i} - H_i Z = G_i,$$

for  $Z \in \mathbf{R}^{i \times m-i}$  that arise from block diagonalizing  $H_m$  ;

$$H_m \begin{bmatrix} I_i & Z \\ & I_{m-i} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I_i & Z \\ & I_{m-i} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} H_i & \\ & \hat{H}_{m-i} \end{bmatrix},$$

2. Compute the orthogonal factorization

$$Q R_{m-i} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_i \\ Q_{m-i} \end{bmatrix} R_{m-i} = \begin{bmatrix} Z \\ I_{m-i} \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $Q \in \mathbf{R}^{m \times m-i}$  using Householder matrices ;

3. Update the factorization and obtain a length  $m - i$  factorization ;

$$H_{m-i} \leftarrow R_{m-i} \hat{H}_{m-i} Q_{m-i} ; V_{m-i} \leftarrow V_m Q ; f_{m-i} \leftarrow \rho_{m-i, m-i}^{-1} f_m ;$$

$$\text{where } \rho_{m-i, m-i} = e_{m-i}^T R_{m-i} e_{m-i} ;$$

At the completion of Algorithm 6.3 the factorization is of length  $m - i$  and the leading sub-matrix of order  $j$  will be upper quasi-triangular. The wanted converged Ritz values will either be on the diagonal if real or in blocks of two for the complex conjugate pairs. Figure 5 shows the structure of the updated  $V_m H_m$  just prior to discarding the unwanted portions.

The solution of the Sylvester equation at line 1 determines the matrix  $Z$  that block diagonalizes the spectrum of  $H_m$  into two sub-matrices. The unwanted portion is in the leading corner and the remaining eigenvalues of  $H_m$  are in the other block. A solution  $Z$  exists when the  $H_i$  and  $\hat{H}_{m-i}$  do not have a common eigenvalue. If there is an eigenvalue shared by  $H_i$  and  $\hat{H}_{m-i}$ , then  $H_m$  has an eigenvalue of multiplicity greater than one. The remedy is a criterion that determines whether to increase or decrease  $i$ , the number of Ritz values that require purging. Analysis similar to that in section 5 demonstrates that after line 3 the Ritz estimates for the eigenvalues of  $H_{m-i}$  are not altered. We also remark that  $R_{m-i}$  is nonsingular since the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} Z \\ I_{m-i} \end{bmatrix}$  is of full column rank and that  $|\rho_{m-i, m-i}^{-1}| \leq 1$ .

## 7 Error Analysis

This section examines the numerical stability of the two deflation algorithms when computing in finite precision arithmetic. A stable algorithm computes the exact solution of a nearby problem. It will be shown that Algorithms 6.3 and 6.2 deflate slightly perturbed matrices.

For ease of notation  $H = \begin{bmatrix} H_{11} & H_{12} \\ H_{21} & H_{22} \end{bmatrix}$  replaces  $H_m \in \mathbf{R}^{m \times m}$  used by procedures **Lock** and **Purge** of § 6.2. The sub-matrix  $H_{11}$  is of order  $i$  and  $H_{21}$  is zero except for the sub-diagonal entry of  $H$  located in the north-east corner. Analogously,  $\hat{H}$  represents  $H$  after the similarity transformation performed by **Lock** or **Purge**, partitioned conformably.

### 7.1 Locking

The locking scheme is considered successful if the desired eigenvalues end up in  $\hat{H}_{11}$  and  $\hat{H}_{21}$  is small in norm. The largest source of error is from computing an orthogonal factorization from the approximate eigenvector matrix containing the vectors to be locked.

The matrix pair  $(X, D)$  represents an approximate quasi-diagonal form for  $H$ . The computed eigenvalues of  $H$  are on the diagonal of  $D$  if they have zero imaginary component and in blocks of two for the complex conjugate pairs. The computed columns of  $X$  span the right eigenspace corresponding to diagonal values of  $D$ . For the blocks of order two on the diagonal the corresponding complex eigenvector is stored in two consecutive columns of  $X$ , the first holding the real part, and the second the imaginary part. We assume that  $X$  is a non-singular matrix and that each column is a unit vector.

Standard results give  $\|DX - HX\| \leq \epsilon_1 \|H\|$  where  $\epsilon_1$  is a small multiple of machine precision for a stable algorithm. Defining the matrix  $E = (DX - HX)Y^T$  where  $X^{-1} = Y^T$  it follows that  $(H + E)X = XD$ . If  $\sigma_m^{-1}(X)$  is the smallest singular value of  $X$  then  $\|X^{-1}\| = \sigma_m^{-1}(X)$ . Since each column of  $X$  is a unit vector,  $\|X\| \leq \sqrt{m}$ . If  $\kappa(X) = \|X\|\|X^{-1}\|$  is the condition number for the matrix of approximate eigenvectors,  $\|E\| \leq \epsilon_1 \kappa(X) \|H\|$ . If  $X$  is a well conditioned matrix then the approximate quasi-diagonal form for  $H$  is exact for a nearby matrix. In particular, if  $H$  is symmetric then  $E$  is always a small perturbation. As the columns of  $X$  become linearly dependent,

$\sigma_m(X)$  decreases and  $E$  may represent a large perturbation.

The following result informs us that locking is a conditionally stable process.

**Theorem 7.1** *Let  $H \in \mathbf{R}^{m \times m}$  be an unreduced upper Hessenberg matrix with distinct eigenvalues. Suppose that  $X = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 & X_2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $D = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & 0 \\ 0 & D_2 \end{bmatrix}$  are an approximate quasi-diagonal form for  $H$  that satisfies  $(H + E)X = XD$  where  $\|E\| \leq \epsilon_1 \kappa(X) \|H\|$ . Let  $Q_1 R_1 = X_1 \in \mathbf{R}^{m \times j}$  where  $Q_1^T Q_1 = I_j$ . If the QR factorization of  $X_1$  is computed using Householder reflectors then  $\hat{Q} \hat{R} = X_1 + \hat{E}$  where  $\hat{Q}^T \hat{Q} = I_m$  and  $\|\hat{E}\| \leq \epsilon_2 \|X_1\|$ . Both  $\epsilon_1$  and  $\epsilon_2$  are small multiples of the machine precision  $\epsilon_M$ . Let  $\epsilon = \max(\epsilon_1, 2\epsilon_2)$  and let  $\kappa(R_1) = \|R_1\| \|R_1^{-1}\|$  be the condition number for  $R_1$  where*

$$\mu \equiv \frac{\kappa(R_1)}{1 - \epsilon_2 \kappa(R_1)}.$$

*If  $\theta \equiv \epsilon(\kappa(X) + \epsilon\mu(1 + \epsilon\mu\kappa(R_1))) < 1$  then there exists a matrix  $C \in \mathbf{R}^{m \times m}$  such that*

$$\hat{Q}^T (H - C) \hat{Q} = \hat{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{H}_{11} & \hat{H}_{12} \\ 0 & \hat{H}_{22} \end{bmatrix},$$

*where  $\hat{H}_{11}$  is an upper quasi-triangular matrix similar to  $D_1$  and*

$$(7.1) \quad \|C\| \leq \epsilon(\kappa(X) + \mu) \|H\| + O(\epsilon^2).$$

A few remarks are in order.

1. If  $H$  is symmetric  $\hat{H}_{12} = 0$  and  $\hat{H}_{11}$  is diagonal. Procedure **Lock** is stable since noted previously,  $\kappa(X) = 1$  and  $\mu \approx 1$ .
2. If only one column is locked, then  $\mu = 1 + O(\epsilon)$  and  $\|C\|$  is small relative to  $\kappa(X) \|H\|$ .
3. If  $\kappa(R_1)$  is large, the columns of  $X_1$  are nearly dependent. In this case,  $\kappa(X)$  will also be large and locking introduces no more error into the computation than already present from computing the quasi-diagonal pair  $(X, D)$ . The factor of  $\mu$  may be minimized by decreasing  $j$  the number of columns locked.
4. A conservative strategy locks only one vector at a time. The only real concern is when locking two vectors corresponding to a complex conjugate pair. If the real and imaginary part of the complex eigenvector are nearly aligned,  $\mu$  will be large and locking may be unstable. But as § 6.1 explains, the complex conjugate pair may be numerically regarded as a double eigenvalue with zero imaginary part. Only one copy is deflated and  $\mu \approx 1$ .

*Proof:*

Partition  $X = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 & X_2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $D = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & 0 \\ 0 & D_2 \end{bmatrix}$ . The  $i$  columns of  $X_1$  are a basis for the right eigenspace to be locked and  $D_1$  contains the corresponding eigenvalues. We assume that the eigenvalues of  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are distinct and that  $X$  is non-singular.

Let  $Y^T = \begin{bmatrix} Y_1^T \\ Y_2^T \end{bmatrix}$  denote the inverse of  $X$ . The rows of  $Y_1^T$  span the left eigenspace associated with  $X_1$  and  $D_1$ .

Let the product  $\hat{Q}\hat{R}$  be an exact QR factorization of a matrix near  $X_1$ :  $\hat{Q}\hat{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{Q}_1 & \hat{Q}_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{R}_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = X_1 + \hat{E}$  where  $\|\hat{E}\| \leq \epsilon_2 \|X_1\|$ . Using Theorem 1.1 of Stewart [36], since  $\|R_1^{-1}\| \|\hat{E}\| < \theta < 1$  there exists matrices  $W_1 \in \mathbf{R}^{m \times j}$  and  $F_1 \in \mathbf{R}^{j \times j}$  such that  $(Q_1 + W_1)(R_1 + F_1) = \hat{Q}_1 \hat{R}_1$  where  $QR = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & Q_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = X_1$  and  $(Q_1 + W_1)^T(Q_1 + W_1) = I_j$ . Define  $F = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $W = \begin{bmatrix} W_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . The matrices  $W$  and  $F$  are the perturbations that account for the backward error  $\hat{E}$  produced by computation.

Partitioning  $W$  conformably with  $Q$  gives

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{Q}^T H \hat{Q} &= \hat{Q}^T X D Y^T \hat{Q} - \hat{Q}^T E \hat{Q}, \\
&= \hat{Q}^T (X_1 D_1 Y_1^T + X_2 D_2 Y_2^T) \hat{Q} - \hat{Q}^T E \hat{Q}, \\
(7.2) \quad &= \begin{bmatrix} Q_1^T \\ Q_2^T \end{bmatrix} (X_1 D_1 Y_1^T + X_2 D_2 Y_2^T) \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & Q_2 \end{bmatrix} + \\
&\quad W^T (X_1 D_1 Y_1^T + X_2 D_2 Y_2^T) \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & Q_2 \end{bmatrix} + \\
&\quad \begin{bmatrix} Q_1^T \\ Q_2^T \end{bmatrix} (X_1 D_1 Y_1^T + X_2 D_2 Y_2^T) W - \hat{Q}^T E \hat{Q},
\end{aligned}$$

where the second order terms involving  $W$  are ignored. From the decomposition  $X_1 = Q_1 R_1$  it follows that  $Q_1 = X_1 R_1^{-1}$  which gives  $Q_2^T X_1 = 0$ . The equality  $Y^T = X^{-1}$  implies that  $Y_l^T X_l = I$  for  $l = 1, 2$  and  $Y_2^T X_1 = 0 = Y_1^T X_2$  and hence  $Y_2^T Q_1 = 0$ .

Using these relationships, equation (7.2) becomes

$$(7.3) \quad \hat{Q}^T H \hat{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} R_1 D_1 R_1^{-1} & Q_1^T X D Y^T Q_2 \\ 0 & Q_2^T X_2 D_2 Y_2^T Q_2 \end{bmatrix} + \hat{C},$$

$$(7.4) \quad \equiv \hat{H} + \hat{C},$$

where the matrix  $\hat{C}$  absorbs the three matrix products involving  $W$  or  $E$  on the right hand side of equation (7.2). We note that if  $H$  is symmetric,  $Q_1^T X_2 = 0 = Y_1^T Q_2$ ,  $R_1$  is a diagonal matrix and hence  $R_1 D_1 R_1^T = D_1$ . Thus  $\hat{H}$  is also a symmetric matrix. Defining  $C = \hat{Q} \hat{C} \hat{Q}^T$  equation (7.4) is rewritten as  $\hat{Q}^T (H - C) \hat{Q} = \hat{H}$ . Since  $Q \hat{H} = (X_1 D_1 Y_1^T + X_2 D_2 Y_2^T) Q$  and using the definition of  $\hat{C}$  from equation (7.2),

$$(7.5) \quad \hat{C} = W^T Q \hat{H} + Q^T W \hat{H} - \hat{Q}^T E \hat{Q},$$

it follows that  $\|C\| \leq 2\|W^T Q\| \|\hat{H}\| + \|E\|$ . The result of Theorem 1.1 of Stewart [36] also allows the estimate

$$\|W^T Q\| \leq \|W\| \leq \epsilon_2 \mu (1 + \epsilon_2 \mu \kappa(R_1)),$$

where  $O(\epsilon^3)$  terms are ignored. For modest values of  $\mu$ ,  $W$  is numerically orthogonal to  $Q$ . From equation (7.5)

$$\|C\| = \|\hat{C}\|,$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq 2\epsilon_2\mu(1 + \epsilon_2\mu\kappa(R_1))\|\hat{H}\| + \epsilon_1\kappa(X)\|H\|, \\
&\leq 2\epsilon_2\mu(1 + \epsilon_2\mu\kappa(R_1))(\|H\| + \|C\|) + \epsilon_1\kappa(X)\|H\|, \\
&\leq \epsilon(\kappa(X) + \mu(1 + \epsilon\mu\kappa(R_1)))\|H\| + \epsilon\mu(1 + \epsilon\mu\kappa(R_1))\|C\|, \\
&\equiv \theta\|H\| + \hat{\theta}\|C\|,
\end{aligned}$$

where the second inequality uses equation (7.4). Since  $\hat{\theta} < \theta$ , rearranging the last inequality gives  $\|C\|(1 - \theta) \leq \theta\|H\|$ . Ignoring  $O(\theta^2)$  terms  $\|C\| \leq \theta\|H\|$ . The estimate on the size of  $C$  in equation (7.1) now follows since  $\theta = \epsilon(\kappa(X) + \mu(1 + \epsilon\mu\kappa(X))) \leq \epsilon(\kappa(X) + \mu) + O(\epsilon^2)$ .  $\square$

## 7.2 Purging

The success of the purging scheme depends upon the solution of the Sylvester set of equations required by Algorithm 6.3. We rewrite the Sylvester set of equations in Algorithm 6.3 as  $ZH_{22} - H_{11}Z = H_{12}$ . The job is to examine the effect of performing the similarity transformation  $RH_{22}R^{-1}$  where

$$QR \equiv \begin{bmatrix} Q_1^T \\ Q_2^T \end{bmatrix} R = \begin{bmatrix} Z \\ I \end{bmatrix} \equiv S.$$

The last relation implies that  $R^{-1} = Q_2^T$ . In actual computation, this equality obviates the need to solve linear systems with  $R$  necessary for the similarity transformation. For the error analysis, that follows  $R^{-1}$  is used in a formal sense.

Let  $\hat{Z}$  be the computed solution to the Sylvester set of equations. In a similar analysis, Bai and Demmel [3] assume that the  $QR$  factorization of  $S$  is performed exactly and we do also. The major source of error is that arising from computing  $\hat{Z}$ .

Suppose that  $\hat{Q}\hat{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{Z} \\ I \end{bmatrix} \equiv \hat{S}$ . Write  $\hat{Z} = Z + E$  where  $E$  is the error in  $\hat{Z}$ . If  $QR = S$  and  $\|R^{-1}\|\|E\| < 1$ , then Theorem 1.1 of Stewart [36] gives matrices  $W$  and  $F$  such that  $(Q + W)(R + F) = \hat{Q}\hat{R}$  where  $(Q + W)^T(Q + W) = I_m$ . The result gives the bound  $\|F\| \leq \|R\|\|E\| + O(\|E\|^2)$ . Up to first order perturbation terms,

$$\hat{R}H_{22}\hat{R}^{-1} = (R + F)H_{22}(R + F)^{-1} = RH_{22}R^{-1} + RH_{22}R^{-1}FR^{-1} + FH_{22}R^{-1}.$$

Defining the error matrix  $C = H_{22}R^{-1}F + R^{-1}FH_{22}$  it follows that

$$\hat{R}H_{22}\hat{R}^{-1} = R(H_{22} + C)R^{-1}.$$

Ignoring second order terms, we obtain the estimate

$$\|C\| \leq 2\|R^{-1}\|\|F\|\|H_{22}\| \leq 2\kappa(S)\|E\|\|H_{22}\|.$$

The invariance of  $\|\cdot\|$  under orthogonal transformations gives  $\kappa(S) = \|R^{-1}\|\|R\|$ . Since the singular values of  $S$  are the square roots of the eigenvalues of  $S^TS$  it follows that

$$\kappa(S) = \sqrt{\frac{1 + \sigma_{\max}^2(Z)}{1 + \sigma_{\min}^2(Z)}},$$

where  $\sigma_{\max}(Z)$  and  $\sigma_{\min}(Z)$  are the largest and smallest singular values of  $Z$ . Since  $Z^T Z$  is a symmetric positive semi-definite matrix,  $\lambda_{\max}(Z^T Z) = \|Z\|^2$ , and then  $\kappa(S) \leq \sqrt{1 + \|Z\|^2}$ , with equality if zero is an eigenvalue of  $Z^T Z$ .

The previous discussion is summarized in the following result.

**Theorem 7.2** *Let  $\hat{Z}$  be the computed solution to the Sylvester set of equations,  $ZH_{22} - H_{11}Z = H_{12}$ , where the eigenvalues of  $H_{11}$  and  $H_{22}$  are distinct. Let  $\hat{Z} = Z + E$  where  $E$  is the error in  $\hat{Z}$  and suppose that  $\|R^{-1}\| \|E\| < 1$  where  $QR = \begin{bmatrix} Z \\ I \end{bmatrix}$ .*

*Then there exists a matrix  $C$  such that*

$$\hat{R}H_{22}\hat{R}^{-1} = R(H_{22} + C)R^{-1},$$

where

$$(7.6) \quad \|C\| \leq 2\sqrt{1 + \|Z\|^2} \|E\| \|H\|.$$

If  $\|E\|$  is a modest multiple of machine precision and the solution of the Sylvester's equations is not large in norm, then purging is backward stable since  $\|C\|$  is small relative to  $\|H\|$ .

The two standard approaches [5, 18] for solving Sylvester's equation show that  $\|\hat{F}\|_F \leq \epsilon_3(\|H_{11}\|_F + \|H_{22}\|_F)\|\hat{Z}\|_F$  where  $\hat{F} \equiv H_{12} - \hat{Z}H_{22} + H_{11}\hat{Z}$  and  $\epsilon_3$  is a modest multiple of machine precision. Standard bounds [10, 17] also give  $\|Z\|_F \leq \text{sep}^{-1}(H_{11}, H_{22})\|H_{12}\|_F$  where

$$\text{sep}(H_{11}, H_{22}) \equiv \min_{X \neq 0} \frac{\|XH_{22} - H_{11}X\|_F}{\|X\|_F},$$

is the *separation* between  $H_{11}$  and  $H_{22}$ . Although

$$\text{sep}(H_{11}, H_{22}) \leq \min_{k,l} |\lambda_k(H_{11}) - \lambda_l(H_{22})|,$$

Varah [38] indicates that if the matrices involved are highly non-normal, the smallest difference between the spectrums of  $H_{11}$  and  $H_{22}$  may be an over estimate of the actual separation. Recently, Higham [21] gives a detailed error analysis for the solution of Sylvester's equation. The analysis takes into account the special structure of the equations involved. For example, Higham shows that  $\|E\|_F \leq \text{sep}^{-1}(H_{11}, H_{22})\|\hat{F}\|_F$  but this may lead to an arbitrarily large estimate of the true forward error. For use in practical error estimation, "LAPACK-style" software is available.

A robust implementation of procedure `Lock` determines the backward stability by estimating both  $\|Z\|$  and  $\|E\|$ .

## 8 Other Deflation Techniques

Saad [31] discusses several deflation strategies used with both Arnoldi's method and simultaneous iteration. Algorithm 6.2 is an in place version of one of these schemes<sup>1</sup>. Saad's version explicitly orthonormalizes the newly converged Ritz vectors against the

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<sup>1</sup> Algorithm 6.4, page 181 of [31]

already computed approximate  $j$  Schur vectors. This is the form of locking used by Scott [32]. Instead, procedure **Lock** achieves the same task implicitly through the use of Householder matrices in  $\mathbf{R}^{m \times m}$ . Thus we are able to orthogonalize vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  at a reduced expense since  $m \ll n$ . As Saad notes, the Arnoldi factorization (6.5) is equivalent to applying Arnoldi's method to the matrix  $(I - V_j V_j^T)A$  with the first column of  $\hat{V}_{m-j}$  as the starting vector.

Other deflation strategies include the various Wielandt deflation techniques [31]. We briefly review those that do not require the approximate left eigenvectors of  $A$  or complex arithmetic. Denote by  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$  the wanted eigenvalues of  $A$ . The Wielandt and Schur–Wielandt forms of deflation determine a rank  $j$  modification of  $A$ ,

$$(8.1) \quad A_j = A - U_j \Sigma_j U_j^T,$$

where  $\Sigma_j \in \mathbf{R}^{j \times j}$  is a diagonal matrix of shifts. The value of  $j$  represents the dimension of the approximate invariant subspace already computed. The idea is to choose shifts so that  $A_j$  will converge to the remainder of the invariant subspace desired.

Both forms of deflation differ in the choice of  $U_j$ . The Wielandt variant uses converged Ritz vectors while the Schur–Wielandt uses the approximate Schur vectors. With either form of deflation, the eigenvalues of  $A_j$  are  $\lambda_i - \sigma_i$  for  $i \leq j$  and  $\lambda_i$  otherwise and both forms leave the Schur vectors unchanged. Braconnier [8] employs the Wielandt variant and discusses the details of deflating a converged Ritz value that has nonzero imaginary part in real arithmetic.

The cost of matrix vector products with  $A_j$  increases due to the rank  $j$  modifications of  $A$  required. Additionally, every time an approximate Schur vector or a Ritz vector converges, the iteration needs to be explicitly restarted with  $A_j$ . The two deflation techniques introduced in this paper allow the iteration to be implicitly restarted—avoiding the need to build a new factorization from scratch.

The idea of deflating a converged Ritz value from a Lanczos iteration is also discussed by Parlett and Nour-Omid [29]. They present an explicit deflation technique by using the QR algorithm with converged Ritz values as shifts. Parlett indicates that this was a primary reason for undertaking the study concerning the forward instability of the QR algorithm [28].

## 9 Reordering the Schur Form of a Matrix

We now establish a connection between the IRA-iteration with locking and the algorithms used to re-order the Schur form of a matrix. Suppose a matrix  $A$  is reduced to upper quasi-triangular form by the QR algorithm :

$$(9.1) \quad \begin{aligned} Q^T A Q &= T, \\ &\equiv \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ & T_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $Q$  is the orthogonal matrix computed by the algorithm. Equation (9.1) is a Schur form for  $A$  of order  $p + q$  where the sub-matrices  $T_{11}$  and  $T_{22}$  are of order  $p$  and  $q$ , respectively. Assume that the spectrums of  $T_{11}$  and  $T_{22}$  are distinct. In practice, the order in which the computed eigenvalues of  $A$  appear on the diagonal of  $T$  is somewhat

random. The first  $p$  columns of  $Q$  are an orthogonal basis for the unique invariant subspace corresponding to the eigenvalues of  $T_{11}$ . If eigenvalues of interest are located in  $T_{22}$  and an orthonormal basis for them is wanted then we must either increase the number of columns of  $Q$  used or somehow place them at the top of  $T$ . Algorithms for re-ordering a Schur form accomplish this task by using orthogonal matrices that move the wanted eigenvalues to the top of  $T$ . The recent work of Bai and Demmel [3] attempts to correct the occasional numerical problems encountered by Stewart's algorithm [35] EXCHNG. Both algorithms swap consecutive  $1 \times 1$  and  $2 \times 2$  blocks of a quasi-triangular matrix to attain the desired ordering.

Let both  $T_{11}$  and  $T_{22}$  of equation (9.1) be matrices of at most order two. When swapping adjacent blocks of order one,  $p = 1 = q$ , EXCHNG constructs a plane rotation that zeros the second component of the eigenvector corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda_2 = T_{22}$ . A similarity transformation is performed on  $T$  with the plane rotation and the diagonal blocks are interchanged. We refer to a strategy that constructs an orthogonal matrix and performs a similarity transformation to interchange the eigenvalues as a *direct* swapping algorithm. Consider the following alternate *iterative* swapping algorithm: Perform a similarity transformation on  $T$  with an arbitrary orthogonal matrix followed by one step of the QR-iteration with shift equal to  $\lambda_2$ . The arbitrary orthogonal similarity transformation introduces a non-zero off-diagonal element in the 2, 1 entry so that the transformed  $T$  is an unreduced upper Hessenberg matrix with the diagonal blocks now coupled. The standard convergence theory of the QR algorithm dictates that  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are switched and the 2, 1 entry is zero. If the order of  $T_{22}$  is equal to two, EXCHNG uses the iterative swapping strategy using a standard double shift to re-order the diagonal blocks. The direct swapping algorithm, instead, computes an appropriate orthogonal matrix by computing the  $QR$  factorization of a basis of two vectors that span the desired invariant subspace. For example the factorization used in equation (6.1) in § 6.1 may be used. The reader is referred to [3, 14] for further details.

The iterative swapping algorithm is equivalent to the implicit restarting technique used by the IRA-iteration since both depend upon an implicitly shifted QR step applied to an unreduced upper Hessenberg matrix to interchange  $T_{11}$  and  $T_{22}$ . The direct swapping algorithm is equivalent to the locking technique. An orthogonal matrix is constructed from a basis for the invariant subspace corresponding to  $T_{22}$ . When this is applied as a similarity transformation the diagonal blocks of  $T$  are swapped. In exact arithmetic, both swapping variants result in a matrix that is upper quasi-triangular with the blocks interchanged.

The following example demonstrates that the two variants may produce drastically different output matrices when computed in floating point arithmetic. The following experiment was carried out in MATLAB, Version 4.2a, on a SUN SPARC station IPX. The floating point arithmetic is IEEE standard double precision with machine precision of  $\epsilon_M \equiv 2^{-52} \approx 2.2204 \cdot 10^{-16}$ . Let

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + 10\epsilon_M & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

An eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda_2 = 1$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 10\epsilon_M \end{bmatrix}$ . Denote by  $Z$  the plane rotation that transforms this eigenvector to a multiple of the first column of the identity matrix

in  $\mathbf{R}^{2 \times 2}$ . Let

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5\epsilon_M \\ 10\epsilon_M & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

so that  $U$  is orthogonal to a small multiple of machine precision. The matrix  $U$  acts as the arbitrary orthogonal transformation required by the iterative algorithm. Let  $\hat{T}$  denote the matrix computed by performing one step of the explicit QR-iteration to the matrix  $U^T T U$  with shift equal to  $\lambda_1 = 1 + 10\epsilon_M$ . The two computed matrices are:

$$\begin{aligned} Z^T T Z &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 + 10\epsilon_M \end{bmatrix}, \\ \hat{T} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1.4000000000000003 & -7.999999999999996 \cdot 10^{-1} \\ 2.0000000000000002 \cdot 10^{-1} & 6.000000000000001 \cdot 10^{-1} \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

The computed eigenvalues of  $\hat{Z}$  are 1.000000033320011 and  $9.999999666799921 \cdot 10^{-1}$  which both lost eight digits of accuracy. If we perform another explicit QR-step on the matrix  $\hat{T}$  with the same shift,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1.0000000000000003 & 1.000000000000001 \\ \approx 1.09 \cdot 10^{-15} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is computed. Note that the off-diagonal element is slightly larger than machine precision so that a standard QR algorithm does not set it to zero. But even if the off-diagonal element is set to zero, the iterative swapping algorithm fails to interchange the eigenvalues. Continuing to apply explicit QR-steps with the shift equal to  $\lambda_1$  does not result in a properly interchanged matrix.

The explanation why the iterative algorithm fails to work is simple enough. The matrix  $T$  constructed is poorly conditioned with respect to the eigenvalue problem since the eigenvectors are nearly aligned. The eigenvalues of  $U^T T U$  are 1.000000033320011 and  $9.999999666799921 \cdot 10^{-1}$ . Thus the small relative errors on the order of machine precision that occur when computing  $U^T T U$  produce a nearby matrix in which both the eigenvalues differ by eight digits of accuracy. Performing an explicitly shifted QR step with  $\lambda_1$  incurs forward instability since the last components of the eigenvectors for  $U^T T U$  are on the order of  $\sqrt{\epsilon_M}$ . This is the necessary and sufficient condition of Parlett and Le [28]. Another QR step with the same shift on  $\hat{T}$  almost zeros out the sub-diagonal element since the last components of the eigenvectors for  $\hat{T}$  are order  $10^{-1}$  and the shift is almost the average of the eigenvalues of  $\hat{T}$  and quite close to both.

Bai and Demmel [3] present an example which compares their direct swapping approach with Stewart's algorithm EXCHNG. The matrix considered is

$$A(\tau) = \begin{bmatrix} 7.001 & -87 & 39.4\tau & 22.2\tau \\ 5 & 7.001 & -12.2\tau & 36.0\tau \\ 0 & 0 & 7.01 & -11.7567 \\ 0 & 0 & 37 & 7.01 \end{bmatrix}.$$

When  $\tau = 10$ , ten iterations QR-iterations are required to interchange the two blocks. As before, the eigenvalues undergo a loss of accuracy. The iterative swapping algorithm fails for the matrix  $A(100)$ . The explanation for the failure is the same as for the previous example. Using a direct algorithm, the eigenvalues of  $A(10)$  and  $A(100)$  are correctly swapped and the eigenvalues lose only a tiny amount of accuracy.

1. Initialize an Arnoldi factorization of length  $k$
2. Main Loop
  3. Extend an Arnoldi factorization to length  $k + p$
  4. Check for convergence
    - Exit if  $k$  wanted Ritz values converge
    - Let  $i$  and  $j$  denote the wanted and unwanted converged Ritz values, respectively
  5. Lock the  $i + j$  converged Ritz values
  6. Implicit application of shifts resulting in an Arnoldi factorization of length  $k + j$
  7. Purge the  $j$  unwanted converged Ritz values.

Table 1: Formal description of an IRA-iteration

Bai and Demmel presents a rigorous analysis of their direct swapping algorithm. Although backward stability is not guaranteed, it appears that only when both  $T_{11}$  and  $T_{22}$  are both of order two and have almost indistinguishable eigenvalues [7] is stability lost. In this case, the interchange is not performed. Bojanczyk and Van Dooren [7] present an alternate swapping algorithm that appears to be backward stable.

## 10 Numerical Results

An IRA-iteration using the two deflation procedures of section 6.2 was written in MATLAB, Version 4.2a. An informal description given parameters  $k$  and  $p$  is given in Table 1. The codes are available from the first author upon request. A high-quality and robust implementation of the deflation procedures is planned for the Fortran software package ARPACK [25].

In the examples that follow  $Q_k$  and  $R_k$  denote the approximate Schur factors for an invariant subspace of order  $k$  computed by an IRA-iteration. All the experiments used the starting vector equal to `randn(n, 1)` where the seed is set with `randn('seed', 0)` and  $n$  is the order of the matrix. The shifting strategy uses the unwanted eigenvalues of  $H_{k+p}$  that have not converged. An eigenpair  $(\theta, y)$  of  $H_{k+p}$  is accepted if its Ritz estimate (2.2) satisfies,

$$(10.1) \quad |e_{k+p}^T y| \|f_{k+p}\| \leq \eta |\theta|.$$

The value of  $\eta$  is chosen according to the relative accuracy of the Ritz value desired.

### 10.1 Example 1

The first example illustrates the use of the deflation techniques when the underlying matrix has several complex repeated eigenvalues. The example also demonstrates how

IRA-iteration for $C_{450}$		
$k = 12$ and $p = 16$ with convergence tolerance is $\eta = 10^{-10}$		
Iteration	Ritz values Locked	Ritz values Purged
9	2	0
10	2	0
12	2	0
13	2	0
17	2	0
21	0	2
24	2	0
28	0	2
31	2	0
Totals	14	4
Number of matrix vector products		436
$\ C_{450}Q_{12} - Q_{12}R_{12}\  \approx 10^{-12}$		
$\ Q_{12}^T C_{450} Q_{12} - R_{12}\  \approx 10^{-11}$		
$\ Q_{12}^T Q_{12} - I_{12}\  \approx 10^{-14}$		
$\ D_{12} - \Lambda_{12}\ _{\infty} \approx 10^{-15}$		

Table 2: Convergence history for Example one

the iteration locks and purges blocks of Ritz values in real arithmetic. A block diagonal matrix  $C$  was generated having  $n$  blocks of order two. Each block was of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \xi_l & \eta_l \\ -\eta_l & \xi_l \end{bmatrix},$$

where

$$x_{l=i+j-1} \equiv 4 \sin^2\left(\frac{i\pi}{2(n+1)}\right) + 4 \sin^2\left(\frac{j\pi}{2(n+1)}\right),$$

for  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$  and  $\eta_l \equiv \sqrt{\xi_l}$ . The eigenvalues of  $C$  are  $\xi_l \pm \eta_l i$  where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ . Since the eigenvalues of a quasi-diagonal matrix are invariant under orthogonal similarity transformations, using an IRA-iteration on  $C$  with a randomly generated starting vector is general. An IRA-iteration was used to compute the  $k = 12$  eigenvalues of  $C_{450}$  with smallest real part. The number of shifts used was  $p = 16$  and the convergence tolerance  $\eta$  was set equal to  $10^{-10}$ . With these choices of  $k$  and  $p$ , the iteration stores at most twenty eight Arnoldi vectors.

There are four eigenvalues with multiplicity two. Table 2 shows the results attained. Let the diagonal matrix  $D_{12}$  denote the eigenvalues of the upper triangular matrix  $R_{12}$  computed by the iteration. The diagonal matrix  $\Lambda_{12}$  contains the wanted eigenvalues. After twenty four iterations twelve Ritz values converged. But the pair of Ritz values purged at iteration twenty one was a previously locked value which the iteration discarded. This behavior is typical when there are clusters of eigenvalues.

## 10.2 Example 2

Consider the eigenvalue problem for the convection–diffusion operator,

$$-\Delta u(x, y) + \rho(u_x(x, y) + u_y(x, y)) = \lambda u(x, y),$$

on the unit square  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with zero boundary data. Using a standard five-point scheme with centered finite differences, the matrix  $L_{n^2}$  that arises from the discretization is of order  $n^2$  where  $h = 1/(n + 1)$  is the cell size. The eigenvalues of  $L_{n^2}$  are

$$\lambda_{ij} = 2\sqrt{1 - \gamma} \cos\left(\frac{i\pi}{n + 1}\right) + 2\sqrt{1 - \gamma} \cos\left(\frac{j\pi}{n + 1}\right),$$

for  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$  where  $\gamma = \rho h/2$ . An IRA-iteration was used to compute the  $k = 6$  smallest eigenvalues of  $L_{625}$  where  $\rho = 25$ . The number of shifts used was  $p = 10$  and the convergence tolerance  $\eta$  was set equal to  $10^{-8}$ . With these choices of  $k$  and  $p$ , the iteration stores at most sixteen Lanczos vectors. Let the diagonal matrix  $D_6$  denote the eigenvalues of the upper triangular matrix  $R_6$  computed by the iteration. The diagonal matrix  $\Lambda_6 \in \mathbf{R}^{6 \times 6}$  contains the six smallest eigenvalues. We note that there are two eigenvalues with multiplicity two. Table 3 shows the results attained. The diagonal matrix  $D_6$  approximates  $\Lambda_6$ . After thirty iterations six Ritz values converged. But the Ritz value purged at iteration twenty four was a previously locked value. The other purged Ritz values are approximations to the eigenvalues of  $L_{625}$  larger than  $\lambda_6$ .

Figure 6 gives a graphical interpretation of the expense of an IRA-iteration in terms of matrix vector products when the value of  $p$  is increased. For all values of  $p$  shown, the results of the iteration were similar to those of Table 3. The results presented in Table 3 correspond to the value of  $p$  that gave the minimum number matrix vector products. For the value of  $p = 1$ , the iteration converged to the five smallest eigenvalues after nine hundred ninety nine matrix vector products. But the iteration was not able to converge to the second copy of  $\lambda_5$ . For  $p = 2$ , the only form of deflation employed was locking. All others values of  $p$  shown demonstrated similar behavior to that of Table 3.

In order to determine the benefit of the two deflation techniques, experiments were repeated without the use of locking or purging. In addition, all the unwanted Ritz values were used as shifts, converged or not. The first run used the same parameters as given in Table 3. After 210 matrix vector products, the iteration converged to six Ritz values. But the second copy of the fifth smallest eigenvalue was not among the final six. The value of  $p$  was increased to twenty three with the same results.

## 10.3 Example 3

The following example shows the behavior of the iteration on a matrix with a very ill conditioned basis of eigenvectors. Define the Clement tridiagonal matrix [22] of order  $n + 1$

$$B_{n+1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & n & \cdots & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & n-1 & \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & & n & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$



IRA-iteration on $L_{625}$		
$k = 6$ and $p = 10$ with convergence tolerance is $\eta = 10^{-8}$		
Iteration	Ritz values Locked	Ritz values Purged
14	1	0
16	1	0
19	1	0
21	1	0
23	1	1
24	0	1
30	1	0
35	0	1
38	1	1
Totals	7	4
Number of matrix vector products		325
$\ L_{625}Q_6 - Q_6R_6\  \approx 10^{-9}$		
$\ Q_6^T L_{625}Q_6 - R_6\  \approx 10^{-9}$		
$\ Q_6^T Q_6 - I_6\  \approx 10^{-14}$		
$\ D_6 - \Lambda_6\ _\infty \approx 10^{-7}$		

Table 3: Convergence history for Example two

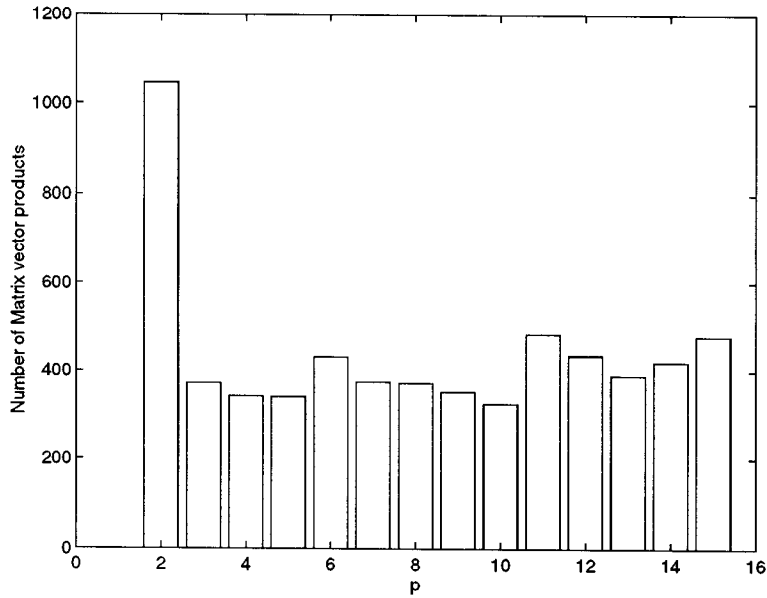


Figure 6: Bar graph of the number of matrix vector products used by an IRA-iteration for Example 2 as a function of  $p$ .

IRA-iteration on $B_{1000}$		
$k = 4$ and $p = 16$ with convergence tolerance is $\eta = 10^{-6}$		
Iteration	Ritz values Locked	Ritz values Purged
76	1	0
85	1	0
91	2	0
Totals	4	0
Number of matrix vector products		1423
$\ B_{1000}Q_4 - Q_4R_4\ /\ B_{1000}\  \approx 10^{-6}$		
$\ Q_4^T B_{1000}Q_4 - R_4\  \approx 10^{-6}$		
$\ Q_4^T Q_4 - I_4\  \approx 10^{-14}$		
$\ D_4 - \Lambda_4\ _\infty/\ B_{1000}\ _\infty \approx 10^{-6}$		

Table 4: Convergence history for Example three

The eigenvalues are  $\pm n, \pm n - 2, \dots, \pm 1$  and zero if  $n$  is even. We note that  $B_{n+1} = S_{n+1}A_{n+1}S_{n+1}^{-1}$  where  $S_{n+1}^2 = \text{diag}(1, \frac{n}{1}, \frac{n-1}{2}, \dots, \frac{n!}{n!})$  is a diagonal matrix. Thus the condition number of the basis of eigenvectors for  $B_{n+1}$  is  $\|S_{n+1}\| \|S_{n+1}^{-1}\|$  which implies that the eigenvalue problem for  $B_{n+1}$  is quite ill conditioned. An IRA-iteration was used to compute the  $k = 4$  largest in magnitude eigenvalues of  $B_{1000}$ . The number of shifts used was  $p = 16$  and the convergence tolerance  $\eta$  was set equal to  $10^{-6}$ . With these choices of  $k$  and  $p$ , the iteration stores at most twenty Arnoldi vectors. Let the diagonal matrix  $D_4$  denote the eigenvalues of the upper triangular matrix  $R_4$  computed by the iteration. The diagonal matrix  $\Lambda_4 \in \mathbf{R}^{4 \times 4}$  contains the four largest in magnitude eigenvalues. Table 4 shows the results attained.

Although the iteration needed a large number of matrix vector products, the iteration was able to extract accurate Ritz values given the convergence tolerance.

#### 10.4 Example 4

Finally, we present a dramatic example of how the convergence of an IRA-iteration benefits from the two deflation procedures. A matrix  $T$  of order ten had the values

$$\tau_1 = 10^{-6}, \tau_{i=2:8} = i \cdot 10^{-3}, \tau_{9:10} = 1,$$

on the diagonal. Since the eigenvalues of a matrix are invariant under orthogonal similarity transformations, using an IRA-iteration on  $T$  with a randomly generated starting vector is general. An IRA-iteration was used to compute an approximation to the smallest eigenvalue. The number of shifts used was  $p = 3$  and the convergence tolerance  $\eta$  was set equal to  $10^{-3}$ . Table 5 shows the results attained.

Another experiment was run with the locking and purging mechanisms turned off. Additionally, all unwanted Ritz values were used as shifts. The same parameters were used as in Table 5 but the iteration now consumed forty one matrix vector products. As in the results for Table 5, the modified iteration converged to one of the dominant eigenvalues after one iteration. After six iterations, the leading block of  $H_4$  split off,

IRA-iteration on $T$		
$k = 1$ and $p = 3$ with convergence tolerance is $\eta = 10^{-3}$		
Iteration	Ritz values Locked	Ritz values Purged
1	0	1
15	1	1
Totals	1	2
Number of matrix vector products		32
$\ TQ_1 - Q_1R_1\ /\tau_1 \approx 10^{-3}$		
$\ Q_1^T TQ_1 - R_1\ /\tau_1 \approx 10^{-3}$		
$\ Q_1^T Q_1 - I_1\  \approx 10^{-15}$		
$\ R_1 - \tau_1\ _\infty/\tau_1 \approx 10^{-3}$		

Table 5: Convergence history for Example four

having converged to the invariant subspace corresponding to  $\tau_{9:10}$ . But since purging was turned off, the modified iteration had to continue attempting to converge to  $\tau_1$  using only the lower block of order two in  $H_4$ . Incidentally, if the iteration instead simply discarded the leading portion of the factorization corresponding to  $\tau_{9:10}$  after the sixth iteration, convergence to  $\tau_1$  never occurred. Crucial to the success of an IRA-iteration is the ability to deflate converged Ritz values in a stable manner. Both purging and locking allow faster convergence.

## 11 Conclusions

In the paper, we developed deflation techniques for an implicitly restarted Arnoldi iteration. The first technique, Locking, allows an orthogonal change of basis for an Arnoldi factorization which results in a partial Schur decomposition containing the converged Ritz values. The corresponding Ritz value is deflated in an implicit but direct manner. The second technique, Purging, allows implicit removal of unwanted converged Ritz values from the Arnoldi iteration. Both deflation techniques are accomplished by working with matrices in the projected Krylov space which for large eigenvalue problems is a fraction of the order of the matrix from which estimates are sought. Since both deflation techniques are implicitly applied to the Arnoldi factorization the need for explicit restarting associated with all other deflation strategies is avoided. Both techniques were carefully examined with respect to numerical stability and computational results were presented. Convergence of the Arnoldi iteration is improved and a reduction in computational effort is realized. The numerical examples demonstrate how the deflation techniques remove the requirement for a block Arnoldi/Lanczos method to compute approximations to multiple or clustered eigenvalues.

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